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PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

HIROTO YOSHII ET AL.

Application No.: 09/873,342

Filed: June 5, 2001

For: METHOD, APPARATUS,  
AND PROGRAM FOR  
PROCESSING SIGNATURE,  
AND STORAGE MEDIUM  
THEREFOR

Examiner: Chau T. Nguyen

Art Unit: 2176

August 8, 2005

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450AMENDMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of June 7, 2005, the Examiner is respectfully  
requested to amend the above-identified application as follows pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116:

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to  
Examiner Chau T. Nguyen at Facsimile No. (571) 273-8300  
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